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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

Most items of information in this Information Disclosure Statement were cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application. Specifically, each item, other than U.S. Patent No. 6,229,654 ("the '654 patent"), was cited in a European Search Report, a copy of which is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.


The foreign language documents cited may be considered relevant for the reasons set forth in the Search Report. In addition, Applicant has obtained and enclosed herewith a copy of the French language document's U.S. counterpart, the '654 patent. Also, Applicant has enclosed for the Examiner's convenience an English language abstract for the Japanese language document, which was provided by the European Patent Office.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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